

**The student will demonstrate knowledge of events and issues of the Revolutionary Period by**

b) describing the political differences among the colonists concerning separation from Britain



**Differences among the Colonists**

The colonists were divided into three main camps during the Revolution:

**Patriots**

**Loyalists (Tories)**

**Neutrals**

**Complete independence from England Inspired by Locke , Paine and Patrick Henry**

Provided the troops for the American Army, led by George Washington

“Give me liberty, or give me death!”

Loyal to Britain,  
a. cultural ties  
b. economic ties  
British taxation of the colonies was justified.

Colonists who tried to stay as uninvolved in the war as possible

**The ideas of the Enlightenment and the perceived unfairness of British policies provoked debate and resistance by the colonies**